

Need another word that means the same as “fathom”? Find 25 synonyms and 30 related words for “fathom” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Fathom” are: sound, bottom, penetrate, understand, comprehend, work out, fathom out, make sense of, grasp, catch, follow, perceive, make out, divine, search out, ferret out, puzzle out, take in, assimilate, absorb, get to the bottom of, measure the depth of, plumb, probe, fthm**

## Fathom as a Noun

### Definitions of "Fathom" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “fathom” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *(mining) a unit of volume (equal to 6 cubic feet) used in measuring bodies of ore.*
- *A linear unit of measurement (equal to 6 feet) for water depth.*
- *A unit of volume (equal to 6 cubic feet) used in measuring bodies of ore.*
- *A unit of length equal to six feet (1.8 metres), chiefly used in reference to the depth of water.*



## Synonyms of "Fathom" as a noun (1 Word)

**fthm** (mining) a unit of volume (equal to 6 cubic feet) used in measuring bodies of ore.





## Usage Examples of "Fathom" as a noun

- *Sonar says that we're in eighteen fathoms.*

## Fathom as a Verb

### Definitions of "Fathom" as a verb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "fathom" as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Understand (a difficult problem or an enigmatic person) after much thought.*
- *Come to understand.*
- *Measure the depth of (a body of water) with a sounding line.*
- *Measure the depth of (water).*

## Synonyms of "Fathom" as a verb (24 Words)

<b>absorb</b>	Become imbued. <i>Arms spending <b>absorbs</b> roughly two per cent of the national income.</i>
<b>assimilate</b>	Become similar in sound. <i>The nasal <b>assimilates</b> to the following consonant.</i>
<b>bottom</b>	Provide with a bottom or a seat. <i>He s <b>bottomed</b> on opal there.</i>
<b>catch</b>	Dismiss a batsman by catching the ball before it touches the ground. <i>Did you <b>catch</b> that allusion.</i>
<b>comprehend</b>	Include, comprise, or encompass. <i>He couldn t <b>comprehend</b> her reasons for marrying Lovat.</i>
<b><u>divine</u></b>	Search by divining, as if with a rod. <i>He claimed he could <b>divine</b> underground water.</i>
<b>fathom out</b>	Come to understand.
<b>ferret out</b>	Hunt with ferrets.
<b>follow</b>	Accept and follow the leadership or command or guidance of. <i>A terrible tsunami <b>followed</b> the earthquake.</i>
<b>get to the bottom of</b>	Reach a destination; arrive by movement or progress.
<b><u>grasp</u></b>	Seize and hold firmly. <i>Many companies <b>grasped</b> the opportunity to expand.</i>
<b>make out</b>	Give certain properties to something.
<b>make sense of</b>	Reach a goal, e.g.
<b>measure the depth of</b>	Express as a number or measure or quantity.
<b><u>perceive</u></b>	Become conscious of. <i>She finally <b>perceived</b> the futility of her protest.</i>
<b>plumb</b>	Adjust with a plumb line so as to make vertical. <i>At its deepest the lake scarcely <b>plumbed</b> seven feet.</i>
<b>probe</b>	Examine physically with or as if with a probe. <i>What right had he to <b>probe</b> into her personal life.</i>
<b>puzzle out</b>	Be a mystery or bewildering to.
<b>search out</b>	Search or seek.
<b>sound</b>	Emit or cause to emit sound. <i>It <b>sounds</b> as though you really do believe that.</i>

<b>take in</b>	Take into consideration for exemplifying purposes.
<b>understand</b>	Be understanding of. <i>I <b>understand</b> you re at art school.</i>
<b>work out</b>	Give a workout to.

## Usage Examples of "Fathom" as a verb

- *An attempt to fathom the ocean.*
- *He couldn't fathom why she was being so anxious.*
- *The locals could not fathom out the reason behind his new-found prosperity.*

## Associations of "Fathom" (30 Words)

<b>ammeter</b>	An instrument for measuring electric current in amperes.
<b>breadth</b>	The capacity to understand a broad range of topics. <i>The minister is not noted for his <b>breadth</b> of vision.</i>
<b>calibrate</b>	Make fine adjustments or divide into marked intervals for optimal measuring. <i>He <b>calibrated</b> the thermometer for the Celsius scale.</i>
<b>calorimeter</b>	A measuring instrument that determines quantities of heat.
<b>count</b>	Include as if by counting. <i>They <b>counted</b> up their change.</i>
<b>depth</b>	The intellectual ability to penetrate deeply into ideas. <i>4 a m in the <b>depths</b> of winter.</i>
<b>dimension</b>	An expression for a derived physical quantity in terms of fundamental quantities such as mass length or time raised to the appropriate power acceleration for example having the dimension of length time. <i>We must focus on the cultural <b>dimensions</b> of the problem.</i>
<b>estimate</b>	Judge tentatively or form an estimate of quantities or time. <i>I <b>estimate</b> this chicken to weigh three pounds.</i>
<b>extent</b>	The distance or area or volume over which something extends. <i>The vast <b>extent</b> of the desert.</i>
<b>fathomable</b>	(of depth) capable of being sounded or measured for depth.
<b>gage</b>	Offer (an object or one's life) as a guarantee of good faith. <i>A guide sent to them by the headman of this place <b>gaged</b> his life as a forfeit if he failed.</i>

<b>gauge</b>	Measure the dimensions of an object with a gauge. <i>A fuel <b>gauge</b>.</i>
<b>inch</b>	As a unit of map scale so many inches representing one mile on the ground. <i>The toy train is four <b>inches</b> long.</i>
<b>magnitude</b>	A number assigned to the ratio of two quantities two quantities are of the same order of magnitude if one is less than 10 times as large as the other the number of magnitudes that the quantities differ is specified to within a power o. <i>Electorates of less than average <b>magnitude</b>.</i>
<b>measurable</b>	Something that can be quantified, especially a sports player's height and weight. <i>A small but <b>measurable</b> improvement in behaviour.</i>
<b>measure</b>	Express as a number or measure or quantity. <i>Now tread we a <b>measure</b>.</i>
<b>meter</b>	Measure with a meter. <i><b>Meter</b> the flow of water.</i>
<b>metric</b>	The metric system. <i>The <b>metric</b> system.</i>
<b>micrometer</b>	A gauge that measures small distances or thicknesses between its two faces, one of which can be moved away from or towards the other by turning a screw with a fine thread.
<b>quantifiable</b>	Capable of being quantified. <i><b>Quantifiable</b> data.</i>
<b>quantify</b>	Express or measure the quantity of. <i>Can you <b>quantify</b> your results.</i>
<b>quantity</b>	The figure or symbol representing a quantity. <i>Many people like to buy in <b>quantity</b>.</i>
<b>ruler</b>	A person exercising government or dominion.
<b>tachometer</b>	An instrument which measures the working speed of an engine (especially in a road vehicle), typically in revolutions per minute.
<b>thick</b>	Spoken as if with a thick tongue. <i><b>Thick</b> smoke.</i>
<b>touchstone</b>	A piece of fine-grained dark schist or jasper formerly used for testing alloys of gold by observing the colour of the mark which they made on it. <i>They tend to regard grammar as the <b>touchstone</b> of all language performance.</i>
<b>voltmeter</b>	An instrument for measuring electric potential in volts.

A weathervane in the form of a cockerel.

**weathercock** *He sometimes has a problem with the boat **weathercocking** before she can gather way on a new tack.*

**width**

Wide range or extent.

*The **width** of experience required for these positions.*

**yardstick**

A measuring rod a yard long, typically divided into inches.

*On what kind of **yardstick** is he basing his judgment.*